

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

LR No.: 2101-01
Bill No.: HB 657
Subject: Campaign Finance: Elections
Type: Original
Date: March 17, 2003

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
General Revenue	\$43,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$43,000	\$10,000	\$10,000

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of Secretary of State** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Office of Attorney General** assume any cost related to this proposal could be absorbed with existing resources.

Officials of the **Missouri Ethics Commission** assume this proposal would increase revenue to the State's General Revenue Fund from lobbyist registration fee. Officials estimate annual revenue at \$10,000. Officials stated that this proposal would save an approximate \$33,000 of General Revenue from printing and mailing costs.

Officials of the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Missouri Department of Corrections** assume no fiscal impact.

In response to almost identical legislation of this session the Office of State Courts Administrator assumed no fiscal impact to the State's Courts.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

The following entities did not respond to fiscal note request: The County Clerks of : Boone, Callaway, Greene, Marion, Jefferson, and Franklin Counties, and the St. Louis County Board of Election Commission.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
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GENERAL REVENUE FUND

<u>Savings</u> to Missouri Ethics Commission from printing and mailing costs	\$33,000	\$0	\$0
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<u>Income</u> to Missouri Ethics Commission from Lobbyist Registration Fee	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO GENERAL REVENUE	<u>\$43,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill modifies various provisions regarding ethics and campaign contribution disclosures. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Requires lobbyists to file verified registration forms with the Ethics Commission no later than January 5 of each year or five days after beginning lobbyist activities;
- (2) Requires financial interest statements to be filed with the commission electronically rather

than in paper form and changes the dates by which financial interest statements must be filed;

DESCRIPTION (continued)

- (3) Allows candidates for General Assembly leadership positions to form campaign committees, sets the campaign contribution limits for the leadership committees, requires the leadership committees to file campaign contribution disclosure reports by certain dates, and prohibits the leadership committees from making campaign contributions to leadership candidates' regular candidate committees;
- (4) Changes the language regarding the notice that must be given to subjects of complaints and commission investigations from "actual notice" to "notice";
- (5) Changes the body to which subjects of complaints may appeal Ethics Commission actions from the Administrative Hearing Commission to the circuit court of Cole County;
- (6) Deletes direct dollar amounts from various sections limiting campaign contributions and instead references the section setting the base amount and the method of computing the biennial increase;
- (7) Changes the requirement that certain candidates file required reports both with their local election authority and the Ethics Commission, to just the commission;
- (8) Requires that candidates for the General Assembly file campaign disclosure reports electronically, beginning on a date set by the commission but not later than January 5, 2005;
- (9) Deletes the requirement that the commission print and make available a summary of all laws over which the commission has enforcement powers;
- (10) Reorganizes various sections regarding reporting requirements for out-of-state committees and candidates nominated by political party committees; and
- (11) Changes the dollar amount of contributions which triggers the requirement for continuing committees to file electronic reports from \$15,000 to \$5,000 and extends the requirement to political party committees and campaign committees.

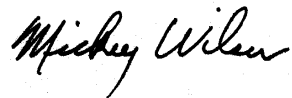
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Attorney General
Office of Secretary of State
Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Corrections
Missouri Ethics Commission
Kansas City Board of Election Commission

NOT RESPONDING:

St. Louis County Board of Election Commission
Boone County
Callaway County
Greene County
Marion County
Warren County
Jefferson County
Franklin County



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